conditions there. [b. Health Officer.] The Mayor [and Council] may appoint a health officer for the [Town] City in the same manner as other appointments are made, who shall be a reputable practicing physician, licensed in the State of Maryland, whose duty it shall be to exercise the same functions in matters pertaining to health within the corporate limits of the [Town] City as a health officer of the State Department of Health, and he shall receive such salary or compensation as the [Mayor and] Council shall fix.

- **[b.]** g. Community Antenna Television. The [Mayor and] Council shall have the power to] may grant a license or franchise for the installation and operation of a Community Antenna Televison system within the corporate limits of the City, and to provide by ordinance for such regulations, provisions, and conditions of said license or franchise which are in the public interest, and to fix a reasonable annual fee to be paid to the City by the holder of said license or franchise.
- 11h. Saving Clause. The failure to mention a particular power or to enumerate similar powers in this Charter shall not be construed to exclude such powers or to restrict the authority that the City would have if the particular power were mentioned or the similar powers enumerated. The Charter shall be liberally construed to the end that, within the limits imposed by the Charter and by the Constitution and laws of the State, the City shall have all powers necessary for the conduct of its affairs.

New Carrollton Charter Amendment No. 71-5

An amendment to the Charter of the City of New Carrollton, Prince George's County, Maryland, to amend Section 12, entitled "Taxes and Assessments" by the addition of provisions requiring the annual tax rate to be set by the adoption of the budget, and by including therein the provision of former Section 8b, entitled "Tax Sales," and by revising references to the Maryland Code of Public General Laws; to renumber Section 14, entitled "Shared Funds"; to establish a new Section 14, entitled "Budget and Finance," containing a definition of the fiscal year, certain budgetary and appropriation requirements, and providing for an audit of City financial records; to renumber Section 17, entitled "Financial Statement" and to add to that section a requirement to provide the public with financial statements before any election pertaining to spending or borrowing of money; to renumber Section 22, entitled "Indebtedness Limit/Borrowing Power" and to specify those purposes for which money may be borrowed; and to renumber Section 19, entitled "Bids and Contracts," and to require all purchases to be made by the Mayor and to allow the acceptance of bids other than the lowest bid under certain circumstances.

SECTION 12. TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

a. Tax [rate.] Rate. The [Mayor and] Council shall have full power and authority to levy annually upon all [the] real property and franchises of the [Town,] City subject to assessment and tax for State and County purposes, such taxes and at such rates as may be necessary, in its judgment, [for] to meet the anticipated expenses of the next succeeding fiscal year, not to exceed the rate of fifty [(\$0.50) cents on the] cents (\$0.50) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation[;] of the taxable property or franchise. [provided, however, that any tax levied under this section for the calendar year 1953, shall be collected only for that part of a year subsequent to the effective date of this Act.] From the effective date of the annual budget, the amount stated therein